One computer to each student scheme

3833. SHRI PENUMALLI MADHU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission proposed that one computer to each student in the schools should be given;

(b) if so, the stage of the implementation of this proposal;

(c) the allocation of funds for this purpose; and

(d) whether Government will give the scheme priority over providing basic facilities in the schools?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI): (a) to (d) A presentation on One Laptop per Child programme was held in Planning Commission. However, no final decision has been taken in the matter.

Utilization of IIM funds to set up new IIMs

3834. SHRI PENUMALLI MADHU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Institutes of Management have been allowed to keep a corpus amount of upto Rs. 50 crores;

(b) if so, the number of IIMs that have a Corpus amount of over Rs. 50 crores; and

(c) whether Government would plan such IIMs which have a Corpus Funds above the authorised limit, to use them in setting up of new IIMs in country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Each of Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) at Ahmedabad, Bangalore and Calcutta have a Corpus amount of over Rs. 50 Crores.

(c) The Institutes may utilize the funds in excess of Rs. 50 crores in the Corpus for infrastructural development in their respective institutes.